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rable for pat he was my ierlm.
for peigesside p' amoon pe kmg
dom of god shulde be shewid per
foze he seide a worri mā wente
into aser citre to take to hym
a kmgdom & to turue azen and
whne his ten seruauitis weren
clepid. he zaf to hem ten besau
tis. & seide to hem chaffar. ze. til
i come. but his cite seynes hatide
hy. & senten a messanger after
hym. & seiden. we wolen not pat
he regne on vs. and it was don. & he
turnede azen. whne he hadde ta
ke pe kmgdom. and he comaūdide
his seruauitis to be clepid. to whi
che he hadde zyne money. to wi
te how moche ech hadde wīne
by chaffar. & pe furste cam & sei
de. lord. i besauit hay wīne ten
besauitis. he seide to hi. wel be p'
good seruauit. for i lytel pig. i
haft be trewe. pou shalt be ha
myge pouwer on ten citees. & pe
topyr cam & seide. lord. i besauit
hay maad fyue besauitis. & to pis
he seide. & be pou on fyue citees.
& pe pydde cam & seide. lord. lo i
besauit p' i hadde putt up in a shi
darie. for i dradde pee. for pou
art a sterne mā. p' takist avey.
pat pat pou settidest not. & pou
repist pat pat pou haft not so
wīl. he seip to hy. wickid seruauit
of i moip. i deme pee. wistist
pou p' i am a sterne mā. takige
avey pat pig. pat i settide not.
& repige v' ring. pat i seip not.
and whi haft pou not zoini my
money to pe boord. & i comyge
shulde haue axid it wip whiris.
& he seide to men stondige nyz.
take ze avey fro hy. pe besauit.

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ze zyne ze to hym pat hay ten be
sauitis. & pei seiden to hym. lord.
he hay ten besauitis. & pei seide
to hy. lord. he hay ten besauitis.
and i seie to zoini. to ech mā p' hay.
it shal be zoini. & he shal encre
se. but fro hi pat hay not. altho
pat pig. pat he hay shal be takid
of hy. nepeles bynge ze hyd in
po myne enemyes pat wolden
not pat i regnete on hem. & ele
ze bifore me. and whne pes vi
gis weren seid. he wente bifore
& zede up to ierlm. and it was
don whane ihe cam nyz to bechfa
ge. & betanye at pe moūt pat is
clepid of olyuete. he sente hys tibo
dyscyples & seide. go ze into pe castel.
pat is azens zoini. into which as ze
entren ze shulen fynde a colt of
a alle tyed. on which neie man
sat. vntye ze hy. & bynge ze
to me. & if ony mā are zoini whi
ze vntyen. yus ze shulen seie to
hi. for pe lord delirep his werk. & pei
pat weren sent. wente forp. and
fonden as he seide to he. a colt ston
dige. and whne pei vntyeden pe
colt. pe lordis of it seide to he. whi
vntyen ze pe colt. & pei seiden. for
pe lord hay nede to hym. & pei led
den it to ihi. and pei castige her
clopis on pe colt. & setten ihi on
hi. & whane he wente. pei stre
widen her clopis in pe weye. &
whne he cam nyz to pe comyge
don of pe moūt of olyuete. alle
pe peple pat cam don byginen
to ioie & to herie god wip greet
vois. on alle pe vertues pat pei
hadden seyn. & seide. blelid be pe
kyng. i comen in pe name of pe
lord. pees in heuene. & gloie in